



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: On average, 700 people die each year in boating-related accidents in the United States; approximately 70 percent of these are fatalities caused by drowning; and

WHEREAS: The vast majority of these accidents are caused by human error or poor judgment and not by the boat, equipment, or environmental factors; and

WHEREAS: A significant number of boaters who lose their lives by drowning each year would be alive today had they worn life jackets; and

WHEREAS: Today's life jackets are more comfortable, more attractive, and more wearable than styles of years past and deserve a fresh look by today's boating public.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim May 21-27, 2017, as:

SAFE BOATING WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 12th day of May.




GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE